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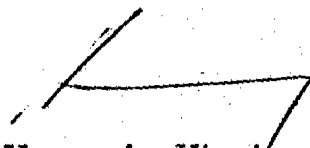
MEMORANDUM FOR

Honorable Richard Helms  
Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Briefing at NSC Meeting, Wednesday, August 19

The President would like you to brief on the Soviet threat at the August 19 NSC meeting on the defense budget, highlighting recent information and updating the several briefings you have given on this subject to the NSC. It would be particularly useful if you could:

- draw some comparison between the 1960 and 1970 general purpose forces and capabilities of the USSR, Communist China and the Warsaw Pact countries, as well as what we think about the future;
- discuss the effect of the Sino-Soviet difficulties on the size and disposition of the forces of both sides;
- review their tactical nuclear capability -- what is it, where is it, what training is involved, etc.
- discuss, if possible, their doctrine on the use of conventional forces and nuclear forces.

  
Henry A. Kissinger

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

August 14, 1970

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KISSINGER

FROM: Laurence Lynn *LL*

SUBJECT: CIA Briefing at NSC Meeting on Defense Budget

I think it would be helpful if we asked Dick Helms to cover some specific aspects of the enemy threat at the NSC meeting on the defense budget. I have prepared a memorandum for your signature to that effect. Dick Kennedy agrees.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the attached memo to Helms..

Clearance: Col. Kennedy *OK*

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